institutional connectivity between the States and central intelligence agencies, an appropriate mechanism has been proposed. Some additional posts and funds have been sanctioned by the Government for this purpose.

Vacancies in CRPF and BSF

1366. SHRI C. PERUMAL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of vacancies in Central Reserve Police Force and Border Security Force;

(b) whether any action has been taken to fill up vacant posts; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) The details of direct recruitment vacancies in Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) and Border Security Force (BSF) are as under:

	CRPF	BSF
Group 'A'	608	332
Group 'B'	21066	2424
Group 'C'	916	703

There are other vacancies in deputation and promotion quotas which are filled through normal procedure of holding DPCs and Selection Committee meetings.

(b) and (c) Union Public Service Commission and Staff Selection Commission are making recruitment for the posts of Assistant Commandant (GD) and Sub-Inspector (GD) respectively. Recruitment process for the remaining categories of posts have been undertaken by these Forces.

Pending Cases of Freedom Fighters' Pension

1367. SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a large number of cases pertaining to pension payments to Freedom Fighters are pending with Government;